

## FORT MILL MELANGE.

**Pithy Points Gathered for the Perusal of Times Readers.**

Miss Lizzie Coble, of Charlotte, N. C., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Hall.

Mr. J. B. Massey expects to matriculate at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va., on September 10.

Mr. B. M. Spratt and daughter, Miss Julia, of Chester, visited relatives in this community during the past week.

R. Lee Warren, constable for this township, is seriously ill of typhoid fever at his home a few miles north of Fort Mill.

A number of young ladies and gentlemen of the town enjoyed a dance at the home of Mr. Fred Nims last Friday evening.

Alfred T. Sweat, a white man who has lived at the Millfort mill in this place for several months, and whose mind has been unbalanced for some time, was taken to the insane asylum in Columbia by Magistrate McElhane Monday morning.

Mr. L. E. Ligon left Fort Mill a few days ago for Mackintosh, Ga., whither he goes to accept a position as telegraph operator with the Plant System. Before leaving this place Mr. Ligon sold his residence, which is now being occupied by Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hughes.

Congressman D. E. Finley came from Yorkville to Fort Mill Monday morning and after spending a few minutes in town drove over to Belair, at which place the candidates for Congress and for solicitor spoke to a small crowd that day. We understand that Mr. Finley is sanguine of renomination. So far as this township is concerned, however, the political talk at present indicates that the race between Mr. Finley and Dr. Strait will be very close, with the chances favoring the one who has the most influential and energetic workers at the polls on the 28th instant.

On last Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock there occurred in Fort Mill one of the prettiest weddings this community has witnessed for some time. Miss Mamie, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Meacham, and Rev. Edward Reeves, pastor of the First Baptist church of Statesville, were happily united in marriage by Rev. A. Finch at the home of the bride's parents. The house was handsomely decorated for the occasion with potted plants and evergreens. The groomsmen were H. W. Clifford, O. L. Turner, E. O. Bransford, and S. L. Meacham. The bridesmaids were Misses Marion Leckie, of Chester, Hattie Curtis, Kate Drennen, and Sadie Dunlap. The groom's best man was his brother, Dr. Reeves, while Miss Louise McFadden, of Chester, was the bride's maid of honor. The wedding march was played by Miss Julia Spratt, of Chester.

### A Card from Solicitor Henry.

Editor Times: Allow me to say to the Democratic voters of your county through your paper that I have been denied the privilege of a canvass in the solicitorial race by reason of a poisoned foot. I attend only three meetings in Chester county, near home, and found it aggravated the trouble every time. It is doubtful if it is safe for me during these hot days to attempt attendance at any more of the meetings. As soon, however, as my physician thinks it safe for me to travel I will start again.

I think it due the voters and myself to state this and ask my friends to take care of whatever interest I may have in the canvass.

J. K. HENRY.

### The Lancaster Cotton Mills.

As was recently stated in these columns, it is the intention of the Lancaster cotton mills to increase its cotton mill investment from \$150,000 to \$1,000,000 by the erection of an additional mill. Since the announcement the company's president, Col. Leroy Springs, has been closing contracts for pushing the work of constructing the plant. The buildings will require 4,000,000 bricks, and a plant to make them will be located by a Charlotte brick manufacturer, to whom the contract was awarded. The new addition's 50,000 spindles and 1,500 looms, is to be turned by electrical power, transmitted from a water power developed on the Catawba River eight miles from Lancaster. A company entirely distinct from the mill corporation is developing the water-electrical power.

## Some Ancient History.

In the Charleston News and Courier of the 7th instant I notice a letter from one W. D. Grist in regard to the Tirzah encampment. In the outset of my remarks about this article I want to say that the Yorkville Enquirer has always been indifferent to the encampment. The committee a few years ago requested it to publish the program of the meeting at Tirzah, which it kindly consented to do for the small sum of \$10, while the Yeoman was publishing the same matter gratis, as a contribution to the success of the meeting. That is one item of ancient history.

The Yorkville Enquirer and the men for whom it was then playing henchman fought the calling of the constitutional convention and by sophistry and demagogism led a great many people of York county to believe that the convention would disfranchise all the illiterate white men in the State. York county voted a small majority for the convention, the influence of The Enquirer to the contrary notwithstanding. This is another item of ancient history.

He says: "J. C. Wilborn spoke about as usual, saying nothing of interest." Of course if Wilborn was discussing Democratic principles his speech was of no interest to Davy.

He also says that Latimer was at Tirzah in the interest of Dr. T. J. Strait. Tillman, Latimer, Stokes, Talbert, and others of our public men have been invited to Tirzah every year since the encampment has been held. So much for that Munchausen story.

"Latimer and Strait are known as two of a kind, weak brothers." Known by whom? Latimer has been elected to Congress eight years and is likely to go back for two more. Dr. Strait was elected three times, six years, by the Democrats of the Fifth district. Does Davy imagine that he is a better judge of the qualifications of the men for Congress than a majority of the Democrats of two large Congressional districts of South Carolina? Fie, Davy! Don't you think you could be more profitably and pleasantly employed in writing anti-dispensary articles with a bottle of blind-tiger liquor in your hip pocket?

Davy, the henchman, also says that Dr. Strait owed his promotion to and retention in Congress to J. L. M. Irby, who was then boss of the machine. What machine—the alliance? If Irby ever held an official position in the order I never heard of it. Does he mean the Reform party, so-called? If so, were not Dr. Strait and Congressman Finley both elected to the Legislature as Reformers, and did they not both belong to the machine? Now, Davy, if two men, both claiming to stand on the same platform, are both elected by the same voters, are they not both in the same boat, and if one belongs to a machine don't they both belong? Don't you think, Davy, it would be advisable to remodel your logic and quit handling the truth so carelessly?

Years ago John C. Hemphill represented the Fifth district in Congress. Instead of adopting the tactics of Artemus Ward and changing his sentiments to suit his constituents he undertook to convince us that we did not understand the principles of economic government. We determined to run a candidate of our own choosing and held a convention in the city of Rock Hill, composed of delegates from every county in the Fifth district. We had before that Convention five aspirants for the endorsement of the convention, viz: T. J. Strait, W. D. Trantham, W. N. Elder, John R. Jeffries, and J. C. Hemphill. After considerable balloting, Strait got the nomination, but it was a close race between him and Trantham, and it was a foregone conclusion that whoever got the endorsement of that convention would be elected to Congress. J. L. M. Irby had no more to do with it than the Queen of England or the Pope of Rome. Another item of ancient history that nails another modern lie.

Now, as to the fig-syrup business. A few Southern men who are citizens of Washington were trying to establish an enterprise to encourage the raising and consumption of Southern products and Dr. Strait, to help them, took \$200 of stock in the concern, and that is the sum and substance of all that he had to do with it. Has a free white man a right to invest his money in his own way? If so, what crime did Strait commit in lending the use of \$200 to the fig-syrup concern?

You know, Davy, that "curly-headed Johnnie" invested a considerable amount of money in a newspaper in Columbia to boost him for the United States Senate, and no one has heard a word of censure from you on that transaction. And you also know that you printed and sold to the bureau of information at Columbia a thousand copies of the Yorkville Enquirer, to be distributed in the Pedee section of the State in the interest of your illustrious hero, John L. McLaurin. That is another item of ancient history that the people ought not to forget. You know too, Davy, that there was a certain amount of boodle going and it was only fair that there should be an equal division of it among friends. Some old fogies in South Carolina believe that furnishing this boodle had something to do with the shortage at the penitentiary. Maybe so. It seems that anything that is said uncomplimentarily of "curly-headed Johnnie" has the same effect upon Davy that the flaunting of a red rag would have upon a mad bull.

I don't want these remarks to be construed as an effort to boost Dr. Strait for Congress, for I am a warm personal friend of both candidates and am taking no active part in the canvass, but I have been with Dr. Strait where manly deeds were performed by manly men, where it took courage and manhood to stand, and he stood. It is immaterial whether I vote for Mr. Finley or for Dr. Strait in this contest. I can not regard complacently or submit tamely to hear an old comrade in arms traduced, ridiculed, and maligned. \*

## The County Canvass.

Rooms of the Democratic Executive Committee of York county, August 10, 1900.

By order of the County Executive Committee the county campaign meetings will be held at the following places and dates:

Barnett's Mountain, Thursday, August 16.  
Clover, Friday, August 17.  
Bethany, Saturday, August 18.  
Hickory Grove, Monday, August 20.  
Blairsville, Tuesday, August 21.  
McConnellsville, Wednesday, August 22.

Rock Hill, Thursday, August 23.  
Fort Mill, Friday, August 24.  
Yorkville, Saturday, August 25.

All candidates, including the magistrates, must file their pledges and pay their assessments on or before 12 o'clock noon of August 16th instant.

Candidates can comply at the Barnett Mountain meeting.

J. S. BRICE,  
County Chairman.

J. H. Saye, Secretary.

### NOTICE.

The following are the qualifications for voting in the primary election on August 28th instant: Every voter must be a white Democrat who has been a resident of the State for twelve months and of the county sixty days before the election, and his name must be enrolled on the particular club list at which he offers to vote at least five days before the first election. There will be no further enrollment for the second primary. Let every voter see to it that his name is properly enrolled on his club list on or before Wednesday, August 22d instant.

J. S. BRICE,  
County Chairman.

J. H. SAYE, Secretary.

W. D. MAYFIELD,  
COLUMBIA, S. C.,  
Candidate for R. R. Commissioner.

### POSITION.

The Commissioners should be paid by the State instead of by the railroads, and the term of office should be reduced from six to two years.

Stop discrimination.  
Freight rates should be so regulated as to—

Encourage fruit growers, truck farmers, and canners, and enable them to offer their products on the market on equal terms with any State.  
Enable cotton mills in this State to buy on any market in this State.

Give cotton mills the best rates for shipping their products.

Enable wholesale merchants in this State to compete with wholesale merchants in adjoining States.

Make Charleston, Port Royal, and Georgetown import and export cities on an equal footing with Wilmington and Savannah.

## CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### For Magistrate.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Magistrate of Fort Mill Township, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. S. F. MASSEY.

We are authorized to announce Capt. M. M. WOLFE as a candidate for Magistrate of Fort Mill township, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce J. B. MILLS as a candidate for recommendation for appointment as Magistrate for Fort Mill Township, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.

### For Cotton Weigher.

We are authorized to announce Ira G. Smythe as a candidate for Cotton Weigher in Fort Mill Township, subject to the result of the election to be held in Fort Mill on August 28, 1900, and in which only the cotton producers and cotton buyers of the township are to participate.

To the Farmers and Cotton Buyers: I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Cotton Weigher. If elected, I shall try to please all interested parties. K. SHANNON.

### Clerk of Court.

We are authorized to announce W. BROWN WYLLIE as a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Court for York County, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic party in the primary election. W. H. STEWART.

Subject to the action of the Democratic primary election, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Court for York County. J. J. HUNTER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of York county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. J. A. TATE.

### Solicitor of the Sixth Circuit.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Solicitor of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the result of the Democratic primary. THOS. F. McDOW.

I will stand for renomination to the office of Solicitor of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the result of the next Democratic primary. J. K. HENRY.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Solicitor of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the results of the next Democratic primary. W. C. HOUGH.

### State Senate.

We are authorized to announce J. S. BRICE, Esq., as a candidate for State Senator, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.

### For Sheriff.

We are authorized to announce Capt. E. A. CRAWFORD as a candidate for Sheriff of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce JOHN R. LOGAN as a candidate for reelection as Sheriff of York county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

### For County Supervisor.

We are authorized to announce R. W. WHITESIDES, of Broad River township, as a candidate for Supervisor of York county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Supervisor, subject to the result of the Democratic primary. T. G. CULP.

We are authorized to announce JOHN F. GORDEN as a candidate for the office of County Supervisor of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce J. ED. LEECH, of Broad River township, as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Supervisor of York county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of York County, subject to the choice of the voters in the primary election. J. F. ASHE.

### For County Auditor.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for recommendation by the voters in the Democratic primary for reappointment as COUNTY AUDITOR. W. W. LOYCE.

### For the House of Representatives.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election. J. K. HAILE.

We are authorized to announce W. B. DE LOACH, Esq., as a candidate for the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce J. E. BEAMGUARD as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

Appreciating the good opinion of a number of my fellow citizens, and in response to their invitation, I have decided to submit my name to the voters of York county as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the wishes of the Democratic party in the approaching primary election. J. J. HULL.

We are authorized to announce HORACE E. JOHNSON for renomination as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the choice of the Democratic voters of York county in the primary election.

### County Supt. of Education.

Will sail by Good Hope. The life boat leaves the shore. Submissive to all necessary Democratic requirements. The 20th century candidate for County Superintendent of Public Instruction for York Co., S. C., is JAS. CANSLER. If elected will stoutly keep in mind the duties of the office. Each day will find him in attendance. Vote for him!

I hereby announce myself a candidate for renomination for the office of County Superintendent of Education, subject to the rules of the Democratic party in the primary election. J. E. CARROLL.

## A CLEAN SWEEP

Will be made in all SUMMER GOODS for the next two weeks, Mens' and Boys Straw Hats at 5 and 10 cents, formerly 25 to 75 cents.

Ladies' Hats, choice 25 cents, formerly 75 cents to \$1.50.

Figured Lawns 4 and 5 cents. There are some 12 1-2 cent goods in this lot.

Dimity, Swiss, Pique, etc., at 7 1-2 cents, formerly 12 1-2 and 15 cents.

All Slippers at 25 to 50 per cent off.

If you need a COOKING STOVE it will be to your interest to see our line and get our prices. We sell the best stoves on the market at the lowest prices.

Fruit Jars have advanced, but we still have a few left at old prices.

L. J. MASSEY.

## STILL GOING ON,

Our Annual Clearance Sale. My, the goods we have let go in the last few days! 300 yards Percale alone went in two days. Now that make Mr. Friedheim feel good. Well, we are enjoying it, but we want to add to that joy. We are determined to clean up our stock before our buyer starts North to lay in fall goods, so all our SUMMER GOODS of every description is thrown in this sale.

Ladies' Lyle Thread Hose worth 25c., now - - - - 19c.

Ladies' Lyle Thread Hose, worth 50c., now - - - - 35c.

Misses Mercerized Hose, worth 25c., now - - - - 19c.

All Oxford Shoes at about half-price.

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